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Inventor(s): Vladimir PAVLOVIC et al.

Confirmation No.: 9433

Application No.: 09/943,579

Examiner: M. A. Moran

Filing Date: 08/30/2001

Group Art Unit: 1631

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMBINING GENE PREDICTIONS USING BAYESIAN NETWORKS

Commissioner for Patents
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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office action of January 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.